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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD OF APPLICATION OF BODY  
TASTE ENHANCER COMPRISING LONG-  
CHAIN HIGHLY UNSATURATED FATTY  
ACID AND/OR ITS ESTER

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Applications:

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10/578,254		May 4, 2006	Unknown
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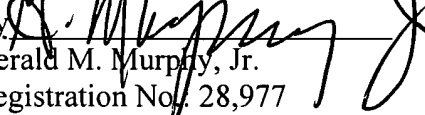
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